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13 November 1945

TO: L-4

FROM: E-4 *B*

SUBJECT: Harry KARNIL

REFERENCE: TX-610 of 21 September 1945

1. The attached memorandum, based on the reference, should be forwarded to the Department of State.

2. In your cover memorandum to State please indicate that dissemination of the subject report to the FBI is being left to State's discretion, since judging from here, there is no great likelihood of Subject's entry to the Western Hemisphere.

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1. A Stockholm dispatch, dated 21 September 1948, states that Subject applied at the American Legation, Stockholm, on 18 August 1948 for an immigration visa to enter the United States. He is of Swedish nationality, born on 17 May 1920 at Tallin and is presently employed with Institutet for Marknadsundersokningar, Sveavagen 20, Stockholm.

"Harry MANNIL was a young student of economics when the Germans occupied Estonia. In 1942 he was a member of German-run Estonian Political Police. Together with his friend ~~JOHN MANN~~, who now is in Finland, he kept surveillance over well-known Estonian Nationalists in Estonia, more specifically Tallinn. *A. J. ...*

5. Subject advised that he attended the University of Tartu from 1939 to October 1943 and in 1943 was employed in the Price Control office of the Estonian Government - this being during the German occupation. He admits that he joined a self-protection group in Estonia in September 1941 and that he later volunteered for service with the Estonian Secret Police and worked for them as a file clerk until November 1941. From November 1941 to April 1942 he claims to have been employed as a procurement officer for a "self-protection group" in Estonia. He denies having done any surveillance work with Otu NEM, but admits having known NEM. He also denies ever having questioned MARK or that he has ever participated in the persecution of Jews by the "self-protection group".

4. Subject states that he left Estonia for Finland in October 1943 and went from Finland to Sweden in October 1944. He left Estonia "for fear of being mobilized into the German army" and Finland after the Russian occupation. He listed as one of his references Professor K. POOM, who is reliably reported to have been an Estonian collaborator and the central figure of a group working with the Germans. Subject states that he knows nothing derogatory against Professor POOM, who was formerly head of the faculty of economics at the University of Tartu and is now in Stockholm.

5. Subject further stated that since his arrival in Stockholm he had been continuously persecuted by the Estonian Society who alleged that he had cooperated with the Germans. He could not explain the reason for this nor could he satisfactorily explain his connection with the Estonian Secret Police.

6. An objection was registered to the issuance of a visa to Subject.

NOTE: - A field report dated 6 March 1945--evaluation: B-3--described Subject as a German agent and as a member of the Fascist Estonian Kikona Corporation, who had continued his "obscure activities" in Finland before fleeing to Sweden. This report also indicated that Subject was forbidden by the Swedish police from residing in Stockholm.

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MARK, now in Sweden, on the street in Tallinn.
A man in Finnish uniform entered the house
where MARK lived and when MARK came out of
the house MARKIL came to him and asked for the
identity of the man. Later MARKIL was sent to
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